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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTORS OF DEFENSE AGENCIES

DEPUTY FOR ACQUISITION AND BUSINESS MANAGEMENT, ASN(RD&A)/ABM

DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE (CONTRACTING), SAF/AQC

DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (PROCUREMENT)
COMMANDER, DEFENSE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT COMMAND

SUBJECT: Standard Procurement System (SPS) End-to-End Process

The SPS functional baseline was established in 1995. System deployment is well underway with the last planned software release scheduled for February 1999. However, during the last three years there have been statutory changes and management reform initiatives that require us to examine SPS and its interfaces with other systems to assure that SPS will meet our emerging contracting needs and interact well with requirements, logistics, payment, and accounting systems to provide a paper free, shared data, procurement environment.

I consider this effort vitally important and believe it needs to commence immediately. Therefore, I request that Major General Timothy P. Malishenko, USAF, as Program Executive Officer for the SPS program, lead an "End-to-End" process review of contracting requirements and SPS systems interface issues. I ask that each of you work with General Malishenko to identify and schedule resources you can make available to make the review successful and assure that your organization's perspectives are considered.

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